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INCREASING TRAFFIC HANDLING PERFORMANCE OF AN ELEVATOR SYSTEM

BASED UPON LOAD

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment

The Assistant Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 3, 2004, Applicant submits the following in response.

Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 9 of this paper.